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On 30 June 2022, as part of the implementation of the ASEAN Five-Point Consensus adopted at the ASEAN Leaders' Meeting on 24 April 2021, **His Excellency PRAK Sokhonn**, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Kingdom of Cambodia and the Special Envoy of the ASEAN Chair, **His Excellency Ekkaphab PHANTHAVONG**, Deputy Secretary-General of ASEAN for ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community (ASCC), who represented **His Excellency Dato Lim Jock Hoi**, the Secretary-General of ASEAN and the ASEAN Humanitarian Assistance Coordinator (SG-AHAC), and **His Excellency CHEN Hai**, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the People's Republic of China to Myanmar, attended the **Handover Ceremony of Chinese Government's Contribution of COVID-19 Vaccines to ASEAN for Myanmar** in Yangon.

The two million doses of vaccines will be administered to the people in Myanmar, particularly in the hard-to-reach area under the 50:50 mechanism of the Joint MOH-Partners Vaccination Framework, which was initiated by Cambodia and was adopted at the Consultative Meeting on ASEAN Humanitarian Assistance to Myanmar on 6 May 2022 in Phnom Penh. Details of vaccines delivery and administration will be worked out in due course by the AHA Centre, ASEAN Secretariat, Ministry of Health of Myanmar, China and relevant partners in an impartial manner and with an ultimate goal to leave no one behind in Myanmar.

At this Ceremony, the **Special Envoy** said that **“Humanitarian assistance should bear no color”**. All stakeholders, including external parties, should keep aside political differences and mobilize ourselves under humanitarian umbrella to gradually improve situation on the ground. Any part of Myanmar is important, and what is most important is that the first step needs to be taken”.

The Handover Ceremony is the testimony of ASEAN's collective commitment to implement the Five-Point Consensus with support from Dialogue Partners, such as China, and other relevant external parties to promote ASEAN centrality in addressing regional issues of common concern.

Yangon, 30 June 2022